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## **Chapter 6. R&T Misconduct**

### **6.1 Handling of R&T Misconduct Allegations**

6.1.1 R&T misconduct means fabrication, falsification or plagiarism in proposing, performing or reviewing R&T, or in reporting R&T results. R&T misconduct does not include honest error or differences of opinion. For R&T that is sponsored or conducted by NASA, the accomplishing activity is responsible for compliance with NASA's R&T misconduct policy.

6.1.2 NASA shall handle allegations of R&T misconduct following the requirements published by the Office of Science and Technology (65 Federal Register 76260, Dec. 6, 2000). NASA's policies and procedures for handling these investigations are published in the Code of Federal Regulations 14 CFR, Part 1275, Research Misconduct.

6.1.3 NASA individuals who receive allegations of R&T misconduct that may have occurred within or outside NASA shall notify the NASA Inspector General. The NASA Inspector General is responsible for R&T misconduct inquiries and investigations and for the preparation and submission of its findings and recommendations in a report to NASA. The cognizant MDAA or MSOD is responsible for implementing any administrative actions that may result from adjudication of research misconduct..

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